DEFENSE VACCINES

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing on Defense Vaccines: Force Protection or False Security? Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Sue Bailey, M.D., Assistant Secretary, Health Affairs; Maj. Gen. Randall L. West, USMC, Special Assistant to the Secretary, Biological Warfare and Anthrax; and Lt. Col. Randy Randolph, USA, Director, Antrax Vaccine Immunization Program Agency; Cedric E. Dumont, M.D., Medical Director, Office of Medical Services, Department of State; Kathryn C. Zoon, Director, Center for Biologics, Evaluation and Research, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; Kwai-Cheung Chan, Director, Special Studies and Evaluation, GAO; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Held an oversight hearing on the Collection of State Transaction Taxes by Tribal Retail Enterprises. Testimony was heard from Representatives Istook, Visclosky and Sandlin; Michael J. Anderson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

CONFERENCE REPORT—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 2561, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and against is consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lewis of California and Representatives Obey and Murtha.

EXPORT ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule, providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 1993, Export Enhancement Act of 1999. The rule makes in order the Committee on International Relations amendment in the nature of a substitute which shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be open to amendment by section. The rule provides for the consideration of pro forma amendments and those amendments pre-printed in the Congressional Record prior to their consideration, which may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or his designee, and shall be considered as read. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the

vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Gilman and Representatives Manzullo and Menendez.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower, to hold hearings on the force structure impacts on fleet and strategic lift operations, 9:30 a.m., SR–222.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on S. 167, to extend the authorization for the Upper Delaware Citizens Advisory Council and to authorize construction and operation of a visitor center for the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River, New York and Pennsylvania; S. 311, to authorize the Disabled Veterans' LIFE Memorial Foundation to establish a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs; S. 497, to designate Great Kills Park in the Gateway National Recreation Area as "World War II Veterans Park at Great Kills"; H.R. 592, to redesignate Great Kills Park in the Gateway National Recreation Area as "World War II Veterans Park at Great Kills"; S. 919, to amend the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor Act of 1994 to expand the boundaries of the Corridor; H.R. 1619, to amend the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor Act of 1994 to expand the boundaries of the Corridor; S. 1296, to designate portions of the lower Delaware River and associated tributaries as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; S. 1366, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct and operate a visitor center for the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreation River on land owned by the New York State; and S. 1569, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Taunton River in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings on S. 669, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to ensure compliance by Federal facilities with pollution control requirements; and S. 188, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to authorize the use of State revolving loan funds for construction of water conservation and quality improvements, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Health Care, to hold hearings on S. 1327, to amend part E of title IV of the Social Security Act to provide States with more funding and greater flexibility in carrying out programs designed to help children make the transition from foster care to self-sufficiency, 2:30 p.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs, to hold hearings to examine expanding electronic commerce between Europe and the United States, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine pain management and improv-

ing end of life care, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings on S. 1507, to authorize the integration and consolidation of alcohol and substance programs and services provided by Indian tribal governments, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem: to hold hearings on international year 2000 issues, 9:30

a.m., SD-192.

House

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on U.S. national missile defense policy and the Anti-Ballistic Missile Trea-

ty, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, to mark up the following: H.R. 2580, Land Recycling Act of 1999; H.R. 2634, Drug Addiction Treatment Act of 1999; H. Res. 278, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the importance of education, early detection and treatment, and other efforts in the fight against breast cancer; H.R. 2418, Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network Amendments of 1999; H.R. 2260, Pain Relief Promotion Act of 1999; and H.R. 11, to amend the Clean Air Act to permit the exclusive application of California State regulations regarding reformulated gas in certain areas within the State, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, to continue mark up of H.R. 2, Students Results Act; and to mark up the following measures: H.R. 2300, Academic Achievement for All Act (Straight A's Act); and H. Res. 393, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives urging that 95 percent of Federal education dollars be

spent in the classroom, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology,

hearing on a measure to amend the Presidential Transition Act of 1963, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans Affairs and International Relations, oversight hearing of the Inter-American Foundation, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on U.S. Policy Toward North Korea I: Perry Review, 10 a.m., 2172

Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, hearing on Violations of Intellectual Property Rights: How Do We Protect American Ingenuity? 1:30

p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1801, Antitrust Technical Corrections Act of 1999; H.R. 3028, Trademark Cyberpiracy Prevention Act; H.R. 1714, Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act; H.R. 1887, to amend title 18, United States Code, to punish the depiction of animal cruelty; and H.R. 1869, Stalking Prevention and Victim Protection Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2804, Alaska Federal Lands Management Demonstration Project; and H.R. 3013, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to allow shareholder common stock to be transferred to adopted Alaska Native children and their descendants, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 2679, Motor Carrier Safely Act of 1999, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on Commercial Spaceplanes, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Human Resources, to mark up the Fathers Count Act of

1999, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive briefing on the FBI's Reexamination of Matters Pertaining to the Likely PRC Theft of U.S. Nuclear Secrets, 2 p.m., H–405 Capitol.